

REMARKS

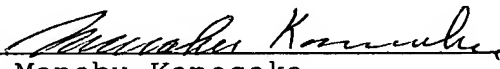
In paragraph 1 of the final Action, claims 1-10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. In paragraph 2 of the final Action, claims 1, 9 and 10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by Applicant's admission of prior art.

In view of the rejections, claims 1-8 have been cancelled, and claim 9 has been amended in independent form wherein a part of claim 1 rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph has not been added into claim 9.

It is believed that claims 9 and 10 are allowable over the Applicant's admission of prior art, as explained before.

Respectfully Submitted,

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